

Fiscal Note

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Title: HEALTH CARE REQS; COVID-19; TELEHEALTH
Sponsor: RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR
Requester: (S)L&C

Department: Department of Health and Social Services
Appropriation: Health Care Services
Allocation: Residential Licensing
OMB Component Number: 245

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2022 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2022 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2022	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2021) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2022) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? N/A

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Updated to reflect adoption of amendments in Senate Labor and Commerce committee hearing.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill allows a hospital or nursing home facility to employ a person without obtaining a background check from Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) if the hospital or nursing facility (1) provides sufficient information to the department attesting to the hiring process for each person employed at the facility and confirms that a background check has been conducted as part of the hiring process; and (2) obtains a background check from DHSS for each person hired by the hospital or nursing facility between the effective date of this Act and July 1, 2022.

The DHSS Background Check Unit charges \$88.25 per application. The DHSS background check application processing fee is \$40 and the Department of Public Safety (DPS) fee to process the fingerprints is \$48.25 totaling the \$88.25 per application charge. DPS' portion of the \$48.25 includes \$35 State fee, plus \$13.25 fee for FBI background check paid directly to the FBI with the state retaining \$2 of the FBI fee for processing costs.

The bill requires DHSS to conduct the background checks for employees of hospitals and nursing facilities hired between the effective date of this Act and July 1, 2022. All fees associated with the background checks will be collected in FY 2022. While the collection of the fee may be delayed, there will be no revenue loss to the department due to the fact that hospitals and nursing facilities will still be required to obtain a background check from the department by July 1, 2022.